## 1997 LAWS OF MARYLAND

- (ii) To reduce unnecessary use of hospital emergency room services; [and]
- (iii) To demonstrate the efficacy of involving parents, students, and community organizations in school health programs, particularly with regard to recruiting and retaining students in school health programs; and
- (iv) To assess whether school health programs could be used as a basis for advising other family members of the student of other sources of primary care.
- (2) The specific purposes and objectives of the Program operated in Caroline County are:
- (i) To concentrate on <u>PROVIDING APPROPRIATE HEALTH CARE</u> <u>SERVICES</u>, <u>INCLUDING</u> the early identification, health counseling, and referral for mental health problems to prevent suicides; <del>and</del>
- (ii) To assess whether school health programs could be used as a basis for advising other family members of the student of other sources of primary care: AND

## (III) TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING HEALTH AND REFERRAL SERVICES FOR STUDENTS:

- 1. FIRST AID;
- 2 PHYSICAL EXAMS AND SPORTS PHYSICALS:
- 3. CARE FOR MINOR AND CHRONIC ILLNESSES;
- 4. IMMUNIZATIONS;
- 5. PREVENTIVE HEALTH EDUCATION SERVICES;
- 6. REFERRALS FOR COUNSELING AT THE COUNTY HEALTH

## DEPARTMENT; AND

- 7. SOCIAL SERVICES REFERRALS.
- (c) (1) Funds for this Program shall be used to acquire:
- (i) For the Baltimore City Program, the services of one full-time nurse practitioner, physician assistant, or other appropriate health care provider; and
- (ii) For the Caroline County Program, the services of one full-time nurse practitioner, physician assistant, or other appropriate health care provider.
- (2) The local subdivisions shall be reimbursed for the purchase of necessary supplies for the Program.
- (3) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene or the Baltimore City Health Department shall designate a part-time health research design analyst:
  - (i) To plan the design of the Program;